

[illegible]

- a) retrieving a plurality of viable cells from the subject;
- b) culturing the viable cells *in vitro*; and
- c) placing an effective volume of the *in vitro* cultured cells into a tissue of the

subject, the tissue being located in a position subjacent to the vocal cord defect to be rectified;

- a) retrieving a plurality of viable cells from the subject;
- b) culturing the cells *in vitro* in a culture vessel for a time sufficient for the cells to produce extracellular matrix;

- vessel;**